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APPLICANTS : P. TÖRMÄLÄ et al.
SERIAL NO. : 08/921,533
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FOR : BIOACTIVE AND BIODEGRADABLE COMPOSITES OF
POLYMERS AND CERAMICS OR GLASSES AND METHOD
TO MANUFACTURE SUCH COMPOSITES
GROUP ART UNIT : 1615
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In response to the final Office Action dated November 25, 2002, Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time, extending the period of response up to and including May 27, 2003 (May 25 being a Saturday and May 26 being a federal holiday). Applicants also respectfully request entry of the following amendment and reconsideration of the present application.